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## *Just a few of the interesting letters received.*

1. Pa. My collection is 95% complete but I was very well pleased with the gift you sent with my mixture order. I shall give it a prominent place in my collection. H. J. S.
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5. Kans. I was surprised and very well pleased with the gift. I think it is a very interesting item and wish to thank you for it. C. E. L.
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7. San Antonio. The gift with your description will make an album page by itself; very interesting. W. W. C.

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## Where are the War Issues?



S THE war goes on it becomes more and more surprising for lack of stamp issues as results of the amazing turn of events. In our own country we have gone in for militarization in typically colossal American manner, but our postal cancellations ignore it and our postage stamps, aside from the 2c Defense are as peaceful as ever. Even the minuteman on the Savings stamps reminds us only of another era, not of the present. Abroad the stamp printers are above such minor interruptions as national disaster, such annoyances as bombs. Cities are converted to rubble, yet stamp plates and presses seem magically protected. Evidently a pressroom is safer than a bombproof. Designs have not suffered in the emergency. If anything, France's postal paper has improved. Britain's current series for homeland and possessions give practically no inkling that a very serious war is in progress. Changes of colors cause little comment, since that's always going on in the empire anyway.

Germany, prior to the war using stamps for all the propaganda it could crowd in the small confines of its issues, is satisfied with single-line overprints for conquered regions. Russia remains just Russia. The Japanese continue to politely ignore that minor incident in China and the chrysanthemum's petals aren't even ruffled by far flung adventure towards disaster. Greece does a David and Goliath and doesn't bother to brag about it. One would think the Hellenes were used to licking their opponents.

Vast regions in Africa have changed hands, but you'd never guess it from New Issue reports. Even the Free French overprints haven't materially increased the French colonial yearly average output, in fact it will be likely not to even maintain the average. So far, Liberia, conducting a philatelic blitzkrieg, has been issuing more stamps than the real blitzkriegers.

We will be greatly disappointed if Haile Selassie, restored to his Addis Ababa residence does not soon correct the African deficiency. If anyone has anything to crow about postally, H. S. is the fellow. We hope, despite the known Ethiopian recklessness with overprints, that the Roman Eagles left their stamps behind.

The U. S. itself has felt the restraining influence of the war. Where in past years the Bureau was busy grinding out commemoratives and other special issues, the press of other printing has caused not just a reduction in new issue output, but a total elimination of them. A lot of us are now getting a chance to really look at what came out last year. So long as the Chief Designer remains preoccupied with foreign troubles it doesn't appear that new stamps will be issued. The White House isn't the only residence where stamps are being neglected these days. There's been quite a to do over extra cost of printing bicolored stamps, but it seems we are going to continue to print them that way until some new designs are approved by the Chief. The Will Rogers stamp, more Famous Americans and other forecasts have withered into forgotten things, with only vague hopes now for the envelopes.

—R. R.

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### British Offices in Morocco

23-10	34	03	35	02	37	10
38-14			French Currency	9	08	

### Hong Kong

20-25	90	01	134	.01	154	.01
36-01	95	05	136	.02	155	.01
37-01	96	02	137	.01	156	.01
43-07	110	.01	*138	.05	157	.01
44-01	111	.01	139	.02	158	.01
45-02	114	.02	147	.03	160	.02
62-18	122	1.00	148	.04	162	.02
63-55	129	.01	149	.12	163	.04
70-45	130	.01	150	.25	164	.10
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## The Aside Walks of New York

BY DR. WITT FRANKEL.

### THE 'SHOCK' PUNCH!

Philatelic journalism has its compensations when there are such men as George W. Linn of the Linn Publications, Al Burns and his weekly and Lucius Jackson of the Stamp Wholesaler, to guide a few helms for your welfare. You must know, as it is in almost every walk of Life, that unexpected episodes are bound to transpire. Readers very often take it for granted that a publisher, an editor, or a writer exist on glory. Either one of the assignments represent assiduous and conscientious labors. It takes a great deal of genuine courage for a man to write and express his convictions for the public at large to imbibe. It takes an equal amount of confidence and faith for a publisher and an editor to stand by their contributors with all the fidelity such tried and true men can possess. One cannot hope to satisfy all of the people all of the time. There are bound to be instances when perspectives may run awry. A publisher, an editor, or a writer, because of an intimate knowledge in the fields of their endeavors, know best what is best for each respective clientele. When either one of the triumvirate is right, no matter how one may be condemned, the others stick in wind and true fashion. There's no intimidation because of some petty grievance, or childish idiosyncrasy. No hasty despoil created because an over-grown finger has been unethical in its rude pointing. Of such caliber are the above mentioned men, and we recommend them to the philatelic readers at large, mainly because from our humble point of view and experience, we have found them consistent and conforming to the requisite characteristics necessary in the rapidly growing journalistic world of Philately!

### SOCIAL NOTE.

Members of the stamp faculty in and about New York will be happy to learn that Louis W. Grezzi, a collector of Canal Zone and Philippine stamps, and the son of the equally well known Eugene Grezzi, is to be married June twenty-second. The bride's name is Irene Barbiere, and many stamp collectors will attest that the couple are devoted enough to Philately if only because of their attendance to stamp exhibitions and dinners this past season!

### WIM BOWS AND BOW-WOWS.

There was quite a commotion out in Brooklyn, the other day, when the dog catcher drove up in front of Ed Elkins home. He presented a notification which signified that the Elkins' were housing quite a few of the canine family without the proper

licenses involved. Ed has started a collection of china dogs, and someone thought it one way of playing a practical and humorous prank on the Elkins' menage.

### DRAGON'S BLOOD.

For more than a decade there has been a steady flow of letters received from readers expressing their thoughts, views, and confidences. The mail has always been handled with appropriate consideration. Once in a while someone will write in an epistle unworthy of being termed intelligible. This department has always maintained a strict surveillance of all such matter, and has even gone to the extent of filing same. The letters are dusted with the crimson powder known to technicians as 'Dragon's Blood.' The other day, a friend received a stampic letter signed anonymously, which was presented for our inspection. The elementary break-down was applied to the tell-tale circumstances surrounding the facts, but before we were even prepared to summarize the details, a message arrived which tallied with watermarked paper, and finger-prints identical to the letter in question. The missive we received was signed.

### SHARPEN THE KNOWLEDGE.

Stop and realize that it very often isn't wisdom about stampic facts that has made many a philatelic expert a successful authority, but rather because of the ignorance of the average collector when questions pertaining to stamp details proved important. Study up on the particular phase of your interest, and be prepared for that emergency when your familiarity with the subject will prove indispensable to you. Sharpen your philatelic know-edge!

### THE STAMP UNION.

In Union there is strength, and so one may safely state that the Union Stamp Company in Nassau street, is quite strong in new issues of stamps. Their stock is presented at a popular priced scale.

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The mail-o-mat contrivance suggests an idea. Why doesn't the same Company bring out a machine whereon it could be used to notarize legal documents of the everyday form. Income tax and other papers only need a recognized authoritative marking to attest the dates. There are often times when the convenience of such a machine would pivot a plot for many a great story. The machine would probably entail a combination time-clock punch with a mail-o-mat seal.

### JUDGE NOT LEST YE BE JUDGED!

A great deal of comment has found its way into the prints, lately, relative to the selection of judges for exhibitions. From the criticism hurled, one would almost believe that the judges were being judged instead of the exhibits!

### ADD STRANGE CANCELLATIONS.

It was indeed a pathetic story told about a man who was confined in a sanitarium for incurables. He led his family to believe that he was an itinerant salesman, and managed to have letters sent to them via his stamp collector friends in various cities. Twice a year, he summoned enough effort to visit with the folks for a while, and carry on in well-feigned style.

### STEPPING OUT!

Victor Otis, the picture editor of Press Pictures, Inc., and a partner in the collection of stamps compiled by Cookie and Marie Langdon, has an exhibition of photographs worthy of acclaim on display in Pelham, whereas Blanche Adams whose rating as an artist vie with her reputation as a stamp collector, has earned stellar honors with her paintings, which were presented to public view in the Trevor Museum in Yonkers.

### STAMPIX.

If you enjoy the singing of Kate Smith, perhaps you will also be pleased to learn that the inimitable Kate has an enviable collection of United States stamps. Ted Collins who has been associated with the meritorious guidance of the Kate Smith programs, has shared much interest in Kate Smith's philatelic proclivities.

### CAUTIOUS CASSIUS CALCULATES.

Perhaps one of the funniest stories of the day, relegates to the chappie who began to collect stamps in a very enthusiastic fashion. He joined every known club and society pertaining to philately. The sad moral is that when the season began, and membership dues had to be paid, the said chappie had to sell his stamps in order to pay his dues, and then he began collecting all over again.

### GOD'S LITTLE APPLES.

Picture a stamp collector making his regular visit to a group of handicapped wheelchair folks. Imagine his surprise to find that the blessed lot of friends had been patiently waiting for him to arrive and salute him with a joyous birthday song. Tears didn't well up in his eyes because of the special birthday cake, the ice-cream or the punch. The pre-

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sensation of a prized gift didn't impress so much as the thought that more than thirty incapacitated people in a group had been content in just wanting to make one man happy. All he could say was "I hope I can always make you as happy as you make me!" They were simple words, but sufficient to indicate the love reciprocated by all concerned!

### OBSESSION.

It is interesting to observe how comment is often voiced about which way the trend of stamp collecting seems to be pointing. If Nineteenth Century stamps are being purchased at an auction sale, then the opinion is formed that such items are becoming popular. The same applies to any other section of material in the philatelic category. If old envelopes or Twentieth Century mint material are purchased at an offering, the same declaration is again affirmed. Consider the reverse situation wherein one must also deliberate that such material is not only being bought, but it is also being offered for sale. There are few phases of good philately that cannot match equality with any other branch of the hobby. Expensive items exist in almost all of the diversifications. The main factor worthy of any deliberation is that stamps promise a rise in value and a steady climb for quite a while. Conditions in the past, and proof of crucial facts have convinced people never before interested in stamps, that Philately is one of the sound investments based on the best judgement in the world today.

### BOURSE WILL BE BOURSE.

If you have time to chuckle a moment at what appears to be the funniest comment of the week, then consider the chap who was asked to explain to an inquisitive new-comer in Philately, what a bourse is, and the chide he received in return when informed that a bourse is a person who has a lot of people working for him.

### HISTORIC LAND-MARK.

It is surprising that more attention is not fostered to the building in which George Hertzberg, the new issue specialist, has his office.

The building is said to be an exact replica of the famous Temple Court in London. It is the famous English site also occupied by stamp dealers, and which was bombed recently. The New York building is quite an old structure, and is connected with another on Nassau Street. The one in which Hertzberg abides is situated on Beekman Street. One of the fascinating features is the area of space in the center of the entire edifice, whereas metal rotundas serve as the floors connecting the offices.

### CONTRASTS.

A group of collectors got together the other day, and began speaking about ships, and shoes, and sealing wax, until one of them brought up the topic of idioms in stamp collecting. It affords a running perspective of human nature to see the same title applied to the one who frets over a perfectly centered block of two-cent stamps, while another nonchalantly spends a few hundred dollars on a block of stamps because it was accidentally printed wrong.

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## Refugee Relief Auction

BY WALTER KANER

One of the greatest tributes ever paid philately was rendered when more than 1,300 civic and social leaders as well as prominent stamp collectors jammed the Grand Ballroom of New York's famous Hotel Astor on June 16 to attend the combined testimonial dinner in honor of James A. Farley and the grand sale of the National Philatelic Auctions for Refugee Relief. Distinguished citizens from all walks of life, including prominent government officials, business leaders and well known stamp collectors were on hand for the occasion.

In addition to serving as a tribute to Farley, the occasion climaxed the efforts of the National Philatelic Auctions, which organization is raising funds for Europe's refugees who have been forced to seek shelter on our shores, through the sale of selected stamps and philatelic material donated by collectors throughout the nation.

For the past eight months, a series of stamp auctions have been held in cities throughout the country, the proceeds of which are for the benefit of The Friendship House, the Joint Distribution Committee and the Catholics Refugees Committee, the leading refugee organizations representing the three great faiths.

The tribute dinner in honor of Farley, who served as Postmaster-General for almost eight years and has done so much to promote stamp collecting, served to highlight the auction of the choice stamps to the distinguished guests and stamp collectors present at the function.

Highlights of some of the items auctioned off include a map of the United States done in stamps and measuring 31x30 inches which was sold to Sam Rosoff, subway builder, for \$200. A frame of 35 Famous American stamps donated by Postmaster Albert Goldman of New York was sold to Benjamin Finkel for \$250. Presidential franks of James Buchanan, Grover Cleveland, Millard Fillmore and Martin Van Buren donated by Edward Stern was sold to Harry Henshel, president, Bulova Watch Co., for \$200. A "Little America" cover donated and autographed by Admiral Richard E. Byrd was sold to Albert Hahn for \$200. Alfred F. Lichtenstein's donation of Brazil 1858-1862, numbers 1-13, went to Siegfried S. Bechhold for \$450.

Among the auctioneers of the evening were Joseph P. Day, prominent real estate operator, and Harry Hershfield, popular comedian. The auction was conducted by the Parke-Bernet Galleries.

A glance around the tightly packed ballroom found the list of distinguished guests reading like a copy of "Who's Who". Among those present were: Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase, Chancellor of New York University; Attorney-General John J. Bennett, Emil Brueggig, President, American Stamp Dealers Assoc., John Cashmore, Borough President

of Brooklyn; William Cronin, Postmaster, Yonkers, N. Y.; Arthur W. Deas, President, Collectors Club; Edwin E. Elkins, President, BALISEA; former Ambassador James W. Gerard, James J. Lyons, Borough President of the Bronx; Lt. Governor Charles Poletti, Theodore E. Steinway, Thomas J. Watson, President, International Business Machines Corp.; Hildegarde, singing star; former Governor Al Smith, Irving Caesar, song writer; Walter P. Chrysler, Jr.; John J. Raskob, and innumerable distinguished citizens whose names make news.

The Farley talk and portions of the stamp auction were broadcast over WOV, New York. In all the affair appeared to be one grand occasion with some \$2,537 being raised and but a handful of the lots actually sold. The remaining material will be sold at future auctions to be held in New York City. May we conclude as we begin, that the Farley dinner and philatelic auction proved to be the event of the year—one of greatest tributes ever paid philately.

## £250 For King's Gift

500 persons gathered April 30 at Lord Derby's house, Stratford in London, England, to witness and take part in the Red Cross stamp auction. The set of artists drawings of Gilbert & Ellice, given by King George VI brought £250, being bought by an Air Force member, a Mr. Squire. The first ten lots were auctioned by Postmaster General Morrison. Mr. Morrison in selling a copy of the 2½d Prussian blue Silver Jubilee set at rest doubts concerning that stamp. Mr. Morrison stated two color trials of this stamp, in ultramarine and Prussian blue were submitted to the King, who selected the ultramarine for the issued stamp. In error one sheet of the Prussian blue trial color was issued. After this "confession" the block brought £160. A first day Mulready cover brought £16. A repaired copy of the 30c 1869 inverted flags was bought by Spencer Anderson for £130. The total realized in the two days sale was £3,728.

New York City—The All-Boro Collectors Club announce they will "in a body go to the dogs at their last meeting of the season." This will be on June 26 at the Clubroom at Park's Colonial Room, 8881 Sixth Ave. The dogs, of the Hot Dog variety will be supplied all attendants complete with mustard, sauerkraut and appropriate beverages.

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Bahamas	.80
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After 57 years on "Nassau Street" Mr. Alexander Van Den Heuvel (Mr. Van to all his friends) retired June 1st because of illness. For 55 of those years "Mr. Van" was manager of the branch store of the Scott Stamp and Coin Company and his first two years were spent with a company which later became part of Scott. In this unprecedented record of service, "Mr. Van" has had as customers and friends almost all of the great American Collectors. He was born in Brussels, Belgium, in 1866 of Dutch parents. Probably because his brother Theodore was interested in stamps he, himself, began collecting as a boy of seven. In 1884 his brother who was then operating a stamp business at 79 Nassau street under the firm name of Henry Collin & Company brought him to New York. For two years the boy worked for his brother, filling the oil lamps and sweeping out the store among his other duties, then G. B. Calman who became famous as an international wholesale dealer brought together the Henry Collin Company and the Scott Company (founded and then maintained by J. W. Scott) to form the Scott Stamp and Coin Company. Henry Collin's office at 79 Nassau street was kept open as a branch and "Mr. Van" was put in charge. Although the branch has moved several times since then and the chief executives of the Scott company have changed a number of times, "Mr. Van" has remained continually in charge of the Scott Branch Store.

Stamp collecting has changed almost as much as New York since 1884. At that time the 1847 5c used was offered at 20 cents; the 10c used at \$1.00 and the New York Postmaster stamp could be purchased for \$2.50. Varieties were not highly considered and for most stamps you paid the net price

and took your choice of varieties in stock. One set that nobody bought because it lacked gum was the special printing of the 1873 issue, put out for the Centennial Exposition of 1876. This set, numbers 167 to 177 went begging at the face value of \$2.00—today it catalogues \$3,675.00. Although he has watched the rise of collecting and the consequent rise in prices, "Mr. Van" has been content to devote himself to the services of collectors and with unflagging devotion to the company for which he worked. His greatest contribution to Philately has been the spirit of friendly service and integrity which has characterized the branch through more than half a century.

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### Empire War Changes

Sudan is expecting a new series of stamps to replace the current series. The new stamps are being printed in India and are expected to avoid the delays due to the war in obtaining further quantities of the current series from De La Rue in England.

Owing to a shortage of paper, India contemplates returning to small size stamps of the George VI design and abandoning further printings of the pictorials. The recently issued 14 annas stamp is sold out at Indian post offices as the stamp is no longer necessary. Intended for prepayment of air mail charges, the war has caused use of other air routes at higher rates and the 14 annas no longer has a use. The above items are reported in London's *Philatelic Magazine*.

- The parcel post stamps of Denmark were prepared and used solely upon parcels carried in the government mails on some ferries taken over by the government in 1919. Use of the stamps for prepayment of ordinary postage on other mails was tolerated for a few months. The stamps are normally used only upon bills of lading accompanying parcels.

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Modern warfare has brought many new problems to those in charge of our plans for national defense. Tanks, air planes, in various sizes, with many rapid changes, like fashions for women, present a constant puzzle to expert designers and engineers. Some new wrinkle means the life or death of those using these new weapons of warfare.

However, in spite of years of careful training in camps or our best technical schools it is found the development of a fine physique or a sort of super man is not enough. Maintaining the morale of the man behind the gun, the wheel, the stick is also important. It is just important today as it was when "Knights were bold" and wore the colors of their lady fair in individual combats. It is this morale, the complete control of ones nerves that means life or death in the most nerve wrecking contests the world has ever seen.

The plan of our government to establish recreational centers at all training camps is far more important than most people realize. Our army and navy officers have endorsed the plan. They realize men cannot be driven "full speed ahead" in any training period without some opportunity for rest and relaxation. How can an aviator or tank driver be in complete control of his plane or tank if his nerves are worn down by long hours of strenuous work without periods of rest? The instant decision, the automatic reaction in the heat of battle may mean life or death. This cool, perfect physical condition is best developed through periods of complete change of thought from the daily routine of the training camp.

Hobby Clubs should be organized at all the recreational centers in training camps. Many men already have special hobbies. These should be encouraged to continue. Philately is called the "King of Hobbies." Stamp Clubs should be organized at all these camps. It

is the most educational and intriguing hobby and would certainly prove interesting and diverting to thousands of men seeking something to occupy leisure hours.

There are so many branches of philately it would appeal to a larger number than to any other recreational activity. Each camp, each branch of the service, could have a special design drawn for envelopes and these could be printed in colors at the camp and sold at a price to cover the expense. These would be prized by the "girl friend" or family and when peace comes would make a nice collection with dated post marks. Doubtless the "girl friend" would soon become a cover collector.

During the Civil War many special covers were used by the soldiers and sailors. The patriotic designs, many in colors, were varied and unique. These covers command good prices now and are hard to get. My father was with Sherman. Both his brothers were killed in the Civil War after nearly three years service. When we came to California in 1884, father burned nearly a barrel full of these envelopes. They would probably be worth \$1,000 now or more.

Anyone or any club interested in helping in establishing stamp clubs at our training camps should write me at address above. I plan to send the letters to President Roosevelt, as he is an ardent philatelist and I am confident will support the plan to establish such stamp clubs at the recreational centers.

• The Death Valley, Calif. apparently is supplied with a rubber hand stamp postmark in imitation of metal ones. The marking has the elliptical grid and figure "1" in killer and in other respects closely imitates the common metal marking used for hand-canceling first class mail at other offices. Specimen courtesy Adam Gruenig.

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FORTUNATE IS THE STAMP HOBBY IN that the hysterical do not think we are potential spies etc. Candid camera fans have not been so lucky. One phase of that activity, the collecting of railroad posts has been put under suspicion by a reckless ban from a railroad association and now those hobbyists find their hobby practically taken away from them. Let's hope none of the hysterical can find some trumped up excuse to get after us stamp collectors. 25-year old locomotives are no more a secret than Afghanistan 1910, but hysteria is not based on common sense or thinking.

STRAIGHT EDGED STAMPS ARE NOW so scarce among our current U. S. that the Roosevelt Philatelic Society's "Straight-Edge" is compelled to use artificial ones of the current 20c Presidential to fill in the customary space for a straight edge stamp on the title page of the newsy club bulletin.

THE S.P.A. CONTINUES ITS PUBLICITY campaign with a small booklet which tells the prospective member the numerous advantages of membership. Bert Powell, the Promotional Secy., 300 S. Green St., Chicago will probably be pleased to send a copy to anyone requesting one.

NOW THAT MANCHUKUO HAS COMMEMORATED its conscripts (and that is what they call them despite alleged claims Orientals like to use fancy phrase) we wonder if someone will start yelling for a similar series here?

IF THE DESIGNS ILLUSTRATED IN A recent *New York Times* are typical of the ones the much ballyhooed artists committee would have adopted for U. S. stamps, then we vote for continuation of present designers. The proposed designs hit no better average than those adopted. Personally we think linoleum block style of design has its place, but that place isn't on a postage stamp.

THE LONDON OFFICES OF STAMP COLLECTING, popular British weekly, have been closed "for duration due to enemy action" and their offices are now located in Gloucester. We extend our sympathies to them and at the same time congratulate them upon their ability to produce a paper differing but slightly in appearance from the copies of peacetime years. It's amazing how they and the other British publishers manage it.

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The letter sent on May 6, 1861 by the President of the American Bank Note Co. to U. S. Postmaster General Blair, answering and denying accusations of competitors that the company was engaged in work for the Confederate States, is reprinted in full in the April Collectors Club Philatelist. This is part of Clarence Brazer's Historical Catalog of U. S. Stamp Essays and Proofs which is being printed in installment form in that magazine. Full details of formation of the American Bank Note Co. are given, providing many interesting sidelights on the men who produced our early stamps. The magazine is published by the Collectors Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York.

A reader sends specimens of the stamps given and sold relief clients. The design is pleasing and they are engraved. Size is that of the Special Delivery stamp, printing was by rotary press and perforations are  $11 \times 10\frac{1}{2}$ . Unfortunately for collectors, though they are not eligible for Scott's probably, the stamps are issued in booklets, in panes of four and straight edge around the panes, so that two copies of each pane have two straightedges and two others one straight edge. The only difference between the two kinds is that the blue one reads "SURPLUS FOOD ORDER" and the orange one "FOOD ORDER." Denomination is 25¢. These have been noted before but we repeat descriptions for benefit of those who haven't seen them. Issued by the Federal Surplus Commodity Corporation a subsidiary of the Department of Agriculture.

An outstanding 1c 1851 cover was offered in the May 20 Special Rarity Auction of J. M. Bartels Co. It was a large ( $8\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$  inches) fancy Valentine envelope postmarked at New Orleans and franked with two pairs and two singles of the 1c Type II, the four stamp items being placed a pair in each upper corner and a single in each lower corner, the stamps being cancelled lightly with a grid. A show piece that must have made its original finder's heart beat fast!

The 4c Columbian error (or shade as some call it) was first reported in January 1895 in the philatelic press. C. H. Mekeel of the C. H. Mekeel Stamp and Publishing Co. of St. Louis noticed a sheet in the dark/blue color of the 1c when looking over the collection of sheets of Columbians formed by the Cleveland banker, J. V. Painter. Mr. Painter had assembled all the shades he could find of each value, retaining them in sheets. The 4c dark blue had been purchased from the first lot of the stamp received at the Cleveland post office.

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HARMER, ROOKE & CO. INC. AUCTION SALE of May 19-22, held at the Collectors Club, N.Y.C. This sale was a philatelic event of much importance to the airmail fraternity. No such collection of pioneer airmail covers and philatelic aviation material has even been offered. As a four-day sale, the volume may be appreciated. The historical and aeronautical importance of this world-wide collection cannot be overestimated. Comment on foreign lots omitted. World Flight cover, Jan. 10, 1923, U. S. Army Aviators led by Capt. L. H. Smith circumnavigating the world, one of three covers carried, @ \$290.00. McMillan Arctic Expedition, Aug. 1, 1925, cover in attempted flight over the North Pole from Etah, North Greenland, with proper cancellations and signed R. E. Byrd, @ \$15.00. Non-stop unsuccessful naval flight, Aug. 31, 1925, San Francisco-Hawaii, Lieut. John Rogers & Crew, only two covers known, @ \$230.00.

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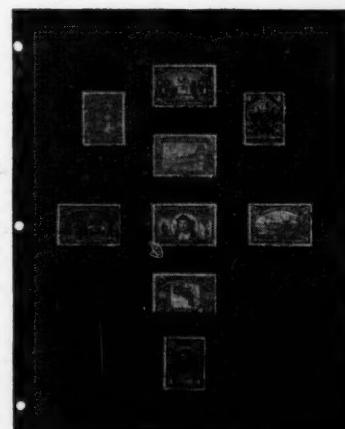
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## A Record of New Issues

By Ray Shepard

1529 Duxberry Ave., Columbus, Ohio

**BELGIAN EAST AFRICA - New Series.** The set of stamps, printed in Union of South Africa, for Congo, have been overprinted "RUANDA URUNDI", for use in this colony. The design of the stamps depicts the King Albert monument in Leopoldville, Congo. Values are:

10c. gray  
15c. brown  
25c. pale blue  
50c. lilac  
75c. pale rose  
1.25fr. brown  
1.75fr. orange  
2.50fr. blue  
2.75fr. blue  
5fr. olive  
10fr. brick-red

(New York Times)

**BELGIUM - Semi-Postal Stamp.** Additional value in the Queen Elizabeth Music set, chronicled by us March 1st; horizontal rectangular format:

1fr. plus 1fr. carmine (Queen Elizabeth Music Chapel)

(The Columbus Postage Stamp Co.)

**CONGO - New Series.** Because of the Nazi occupation of Belgium, the Congo authorities were unable to have new stamps printed at Malines, Belgium. Therefore the set was prepared and printed in Union of South Africa. The central design shows the King Albert monument in Leopoldville, Congo. Values and quantities printed are:

10c. gray (300,000)  
15c. brown (300,000)  
25c. pale blue (300,000)  
50c. lilac (1,000,000)  
75c. pale rose (300,000)  
1.25fr. brown (300,000)  
1.75fr. orange (250,000)  
2.50fr. blue (700,000)  
2.75fr. blue (275,000)  
5fr. olive (100,000)  
10fr. brick-red (100,000)

(New York Times)

**DUTCH INDIES - New Design.** Similar to Scott's type A45 for Netherlands. Locally printed, because supplies were not obtainable from the Mother Country:

10c. bright orange.

**EGYPT - New Value.** Due to increase in postal rates. Perf. 13½, wmkd., mult. Crown and Arabic F:

A66—6m. yellow green  
(Whitfield, King & Co.)

**FALKLAND ISLANDS - Changes in Colors.** Due to change in postal rates:

A23—1p. dark violet & black  
A24—2p. rose-carmine & black  
A25—3p. ultramarine & black (to replace 2½p.)

(R. Roberts)

**FINLAND - New Items.** Either already issued or to appear soon:

Postage: 2.75M. (Portrait of late pres. Kallio)

Air Mail: 50M. and 100M. values

Parcel Post: 4.75M., 7M. and 9M. values

Semi-Postal: 2.75M. plus 50p. for the benefit of Veterans of the Russo-Finnish war.

(New York Times)

**FRANCE -** The deluge continues and we shall abandon the attempt to list them in

numerical and chronological order and take them as they come:

A88—20fr. on 50fr. dark ultramarine (200,000 red)

The above stamp differs from the original printing in that the base stamp is now engraved on heavy instead of thin paper.

A86—10fr. on 20fr. dark blue-green (red)

The recently issued Marshal Petain design, noted by us March 15th., has been overprinted "plus 10." in black on the 1fr. red.

## Fight Against Cancer.

2.50fr. plus 50c. gray & brown (Science)

(L. A. Russell)

**GUATEMALA - Postal Tax Stamp.** This stamp has again been overprinted. This time the overprint is in red:

PT2—1c. olive green (Ovptd. 1941)

(L. A. Russell)

**INDIA - New Value.** The 14a. plum noted by us March 29th., is Scott's type A81, with a mail plane in the space at the left, with of course, King George VI at right. The stamp was made necessary because the airmail postage from India to the United Kingdom and all Empire countries was fixed at 14 annas for the first half ounce. The stamp however can be used for ordinary postage as well. (R. Roberts)

## Kenmore Catalog Changes

The following changes have been announced:

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	230	.05
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	241	.40

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D12 to D19, 8 varieties.....	1.15
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D1 to D8, 8 varieties .....	1.15

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NEW ISSUES	
France (3)	50/75-50/80-1½.50
France (2)	Marshall's Security
Germany (4)	Lieipzig Fair
Germany (4)	Vienna Fair
Hungary (4)	Air Fund
Italy (3)	Ax 10, 20, 25 cent
Jugoslavia (2)	Croatia
Liechtenstein (5)	Agriculture
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## NEW DEALERS PRICE LIST

A new price list of Linprint Products is now ready for the dealers. Prices have been greatly reduced on many items and several new products have been added to the list. We have recently adopted a new plan whereby we hope to create larger sales and take a smaller profit on the wholesale part of the business. These new lower prices should help any dealer increase his sales as Linprint Products are of the best quality and with the new lower prices collectors will prefer Linprint Products.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO



"Where can I find records of old postal rates?" Send 10c in coin or money order to the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington D. C. for a copy of "Postage Rates 1789-1930, Abstract of Laws," as prepared by the Division of Classification, Third Assistant Postmaster General. A perusal of its contents will make clear why we have had so many changes in regular issues of stamps.

"Why aren't the stamps of Lundy Island in the Scott Catalogue?" We thought we had covered this subject thoroughly a year or so ago. These stamps or labels are not issued by any government, and have no national or international recognition as postage stamps. Some choose to dignify them with the title of "Local Stamps" and compare them to the issues which flourished in the U. S. in the 1840s. These labels are privately produced by the owner of a small island near England who also at one time had the presumption to issue coins and was hailed into Court. The labels are tolerated by the British just as are Christmas Seals etc. in this country—if they are on the backs of mail. Principal market has been to tourists who like to stick them on their post cards. No postal service exists on the island.

"When were the Postal Savings stamps first issued?" We'd like more details on that ourselves. The plate numbers indicate the plates were made in 1910 and the orange stamps were printed that summer on double-line watermark paper, perf 12 (same perf. and paper as for postage stamps). When the orange stamp was issued does not appear in our records, nor of the second and much commoner variety which is in blue on single-line watermark paper, perf. 12. This blue stamp along with remainders of the orange

ones continued in current use or we should say in stock, until the falling apart of the sheets made accounting so difficult that a new printing was made in 1935 from new plates of the original stamp design, but on current unwatermarked paper and perforated the current gauge of 11. None of these stamps have attracted much philatelic attention as they had no postal use; consequently their philatelic interest has not been small. Unused copies are redeemed by post offices for their face value.

Another artificial shade is submitted by a reader, who asks for its catalogue number. The stamp is the One Shilling Great Britain King Edward VII (Scott's #138) and the center is a very pale yellow green. This is due to fading or other chemical action upon the normal dark green of the center.

"I have a copy of 2d Trinidad Postage Due, Scott's Type D1, with script watermark, which I do not find listed." This design was reissued in 1923 for Trinidad & Tobago, though the inscriptions were not altered and this issue, by one of the curious exceptions in the catalogue is to be found listed under Trinidad & Tobago. Hey, Hugh Clark, how about a footnote after Trinidad's Dues so that other collectors may not be puzzled?

### Censor Marks Reported

Bermuda is now using a white label imprinted in blue "OPENED BY EXAMINER." Did you see the article in the May 17 LIFE about the Bermuda censors?

- Many unusual errors such as Canada 1908 imperfs are included in the extensive foreign collection being sold June 26-27 at auction by the Cosmos Stamp Co.

- These military branches have been ordered established: Will Rogers Field Contract Branch, Oklahoma City, Okla. and Carlstrom Field, Arcadia, Florida.

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Columbus, Ohio

## Air Mail First Days at Conventions

Postmaster General Frank C. Walker announced today that arrangements have been made to have the first day sales of the remaining denominations of the new series of Air Mail postage stamps in conjunction with the annual conventions of the major philatelic societies throughout the country. In doing so, the Postmaster General pointed out that since these stamps are not associated, because of their designs or otherwise, with definite localities, it was considered not inappropriate to comply with the requests of these major philatelic organizations for the designation of the convention cities for the first day sales. He stated further that the policy of placing new stamp issues on sale at given post offices a day in advance for the handling of first day covers was prompted solely by philatelic considerations.

The Postmaster General also announced the colors for the five additional denominations of Air Mail stamps as well as the dates and cities where the conventions of the various philatelic societies will be held. It has already been announced that the new 6-cent Air Mail stamp, printed in red ink, will be placed on first day sale at the Washington, D. C., post office on June 25, 1941.

The following are the denomination designations, the post offices of first day sale, the philatelic organizations affected, the dates of meetings and the colors of the five new Air Mail postage stamps:

- 10c—Atlantic City, N. J., American Air Mail Society, Aug. 15, Purple.
- 15c—Baltimore, Md., American Philatelic Society, Aug. 19, Brown.
- 20c—Philadelphia, Pa., Society of Philatelic Americans, Aug. 27, Green.
- 30c—Kansas City, Mo., Trans-Mississippi Philatelic Society, Sept. 25, Blue.
- 50c—Saint Louis, Mo., World-Wide Philatelic Assn., Oct. 29, Orange.

## Plates Made For Airmails

The Bureau of Engraving and Printing during May made only 16 new postage stamp plates, four each of the 6c, 10c, 15c and 20c air mail stamps. These plates are 200 subject Electric Eye convertible, rotary press. The numbers are 6c 22752-53-54-55, 10c 22756-57-58-59, 15c 22764-65-66-67, 20c 22760-61-62-63. This may be taken as an indication that the 10c, 15c and 20c may be ready for issuance shortly after the 6c, so collectors will do well to make preparations now for sending their first day covers or obtaining them through their dealer. There is nothing official on the rumors that some of the stamps may not be issued until the national philatelic conventions.

The only plates sent to press during May which had not been previously to press were two each of the non-postage 10c and 25c Postal Savings stamps. These were 10c 22722-23 and 25c 22724-25.

• The post office of Marie, Texas, will close on July 14.

## Other Stamps Sought

Among recent proposals for special stamps is that made by Representative Martin F. Smith of Washington for a stamp commemorating the 150th anniversary of the discovery of the Columbia River by Captain Robert Gray on May 12, 1792. Mrs. Margaret Hopkins Worrell is reported in the Washington Sunday Star to have asked for a memorial stamp for Union veterans of the Civil War. M. F. Partridge of Petersburg, Va., is seeking approval of his suggestion for a stamp in memory of General Winfield Scott who was born near Petersburg on June 13, 1786. General Scott was depicted for many years on the 24c stamp (1870-1890). The Grand Army of the Republic is holding its 75th annual encampment at Columbus, Ohio, this summer and this is expected to be their last. An "Oil Stamp" is being sought by the Petroleum industry, apparently to advertise their annual international show at Tulsa.

## Linprint President Honored

At a meeting of the North Side Commercial Club, held in their club rooms on the evening of Tuesday, June 10, George W. Linn, President of Linprint Inc., was elected President of the Commercial Club.

These meetings are usually preceded by a dinner after which the business and social affairs are considered. The North Side Commercial Club is an organization of the business men of that part of Columbus immediately to the north of the central portion of the city. The Club was organized about thirty years ago and has an enviable record of accomplishments, not the least of which are many activities of a charitable nature.

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• Additional branch of the New York City post office ordered established is: Detachment B, First Defense Battalion, Fleet Marine Force Branch.

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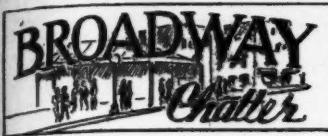
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A few small shipments of the Italian set featuring Hitler and Mussolini were received. The small amount didn't relieve the acute shortage of this set. The German Hitler and Mussolini did not come in but are still being expected any day. There is no shortage on any of these sets that should compel speculative prices, as enough was printed to go around. There is only a temporary shortage.

A few sets of the Italian East African set with portraits of Hitler and Mussolini have come through. This is interesting as the English are in control of almost the entire Colony, so it looks like this set will only do duty from Italy, and will never see East Africa.

This week the wholesalers were fairly busy with new issues as 3 boats came in from Lisbon in ten days. However, supplies did not last long.

As this was Decoration Day week end in the city, a fairly quiet time was had. Many of the boys left their offices Thursday night and didn't return until Monday morning. Those that remained open on Saturday were sorry they didn't take the week-end off.

This being the final month before the summer season gets under way, the metropolitan auction calendar will be crowded to capacity. Harmer is scheduled for a number of sales including two this current week;

#### MINT NEW ISSUES

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Cameroun:- Colonial Airmails (very scarce before De Gaulle)	6.00
Costa Rica:- Pan American Sports postage and airmails	4.10
Settlement of Panama Boundary dispute (airmails very scarce)	4.95
Danmark:- Mothers Day	.08
Dominican Republic:- Airmail pictorial	.15
France:- 5 franc on 10 franc provisional	.25
Germany:- Hitler Birthday	.30
Hitler and Mussolini	.30
Vienna & Leipzig Fairs each	.20
Finnland:- Kallio Memorial	.15
New Semi Postal	.15
Italy:- Hitler and Mussolini (six)	.40
Italian Colonies:- Overseas Exposition 1940, 33 values exceptionally scarce	5.75
Italian East Africa and Libia:- Airmails Hitler and Mussolini	.26
Iceland:- War Provisional	.09
Iodo China:- Airmails	.68
Madagascar:- Airmails	.285
Dakotamay:- New Pictorials	.285
Netherlands:- New Postage	.225
Russia:- Used only Finnish Occupation	.08
Do Professor Vukovski	.10
Do Mongol Heroes	.07
Do Old Russian Hero	.24
Romania:- Iron Guard set	.59
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Hugh Barr has a beautiful sale for three days next week and so it goes, but after the first of July, then what?

As per usual, there are no supplies of the Pitcairn Islands in the city. Everyone is waiting for new supplies.

Rudy Novell calls to my attention that somehow his name always gets spelled wrong in this column. The blame is mine as I always insert a "w" where the "v" goes. N. B. Editor, please don't have your printers make the error now.

As said before, there are no wholesale stocks of Hong Kong Centenary in the city, just a few odds and ends among the dealers. But, the boys are waiting to see if the last shipment of 5,000 sets reaches here, and at what price the stamps were sent.

The Ceylon speculators are playing their cards to the utmost perfection to date. They are releasing a few copies of this stamp to the British market and to the American market. But, aren't releasing enough to force the price down.

I was talking to the boys who went to Cooperstown with me two years ago; we all felt bad about hearing the death of that great native New York City son, Lou Gehrig. It seems like yesterday that we were talking about the Cooperstown museum, and the greats that would be remembered and now another "great".

#### Rare Swiss At Auction

Some outstanding material of the classic Swiss Cantonal will be brought under the hammer by H. R. Harmer, Inc., 32 E. 57th St., New York. The owner of this material searched Europe for over the last twenty years for the exquisite gems of the Swiss Cantons.

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The sale will include eight of the famous Double Genevas of 1843, one of which is a unique "Interverti", the double, cut the wrong way. There are also seven exquisite copies of the almost equally rare 4c "Vaud" and many fine examples of the 4 rappen Zurich, not to mention some beautiful Basle Doves, and other scarce pieces.

#### No New Part II Gibbons

Stanley Gibbons, Ltd. have announced they do not intend to issue a new edition of Part II of their catalogue this fall. They expect to publish an edition of Part I, which includes only British Empire, if paper can be obtained. Part II, which lists Foreign, as well as a new volume containing both parts will not appear due to the emergency and also the fact that due to import restrictions they can not price recent foreign issues. No decision has yet been reached regarding their Simplified Catalogue.

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## King Prajadhipok

Death also came in exile to former King Prajadhipok of Siam a few days ago, a person more familiar to stamp collectors than his mightier contemporary in death, William II of Germany and Doorn. King P. (we'll shorten this article and reduce strain on the compositor and proof-reader as well if we just refer to him by initial) voluntarily gave up his throne when liberal elements in the country insisted on a constitutional government, effecting this improvement in 1932. He had assumed the throne in 1921. Educated in England, the King appeared to prefer Europe to the burdens of ruler of the oriental country. His health was not robust, his eyes were poor, and doctors such as he needed and desired were handiers in Europe. So youthful Ananda replaced him. The first stamps depicting P. appeared in 1928, replacing those of his predecessor. This issue was replaced in 1939. There was little bitterness involved in the change of government, and remarkably no bloodshed. The Siamese are evidently people to be respected, for it must be remembered that 1939 was the year marked by the most vicious portion of the Spanish Civil War and the beginning in savage earnestness of the present world conflict. King P.'s last postal portrait was the triple-purpose commemorative series of 1932 which depicted him in company with the founder of the royal house of the country which in 1939 changed its name to Thailand. Siam having been a misnomer which had been perpetuated just like Abyssinia for Ethiopia, thanks mainly to foreigners. The people of the country call themselves Thai.

## Burma Seeks Stamp Exchange

The South African Philatelist reports a peculiar situation there in regards to Burma. The Director General of Posts of Burma is operating a War Stamp Bureau and finding that foreign stamps sold better than local issues, offered to trade used Burmese stamps of approximate same value for used Union of South African stamps sent by Union collectors and dealers. The Burmese Bureau is raising funds for war activities by means of stamp sales.

• The post offices of Soo Junction, Mich., Waha, Idaho, and Liberty Center, Iowa are to be discontinued on June 30.



By Kenneth M. Gierhart  
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#### THIS AND THAT.

The Blitzkrieg Stamp News published in Beck Grove, Ind., came in with a Wannamaker, Ind., 1c Defense U-121. The Blitz deals chiefly in Precancel news.—Jack Kortink writing in the Stamp Wholesaler says he would like to see a "really informative article on precancels and bureaus." Now if Jack can stand a highly uninformative article I'll fix him up fine. For the kind he says he wants he could try the FORUM or the OPTIMIST and I am sure there will be just the article for him. I strongly suspect that the kind of article that would please him would be one that very cleverly says that all precancel collectors are dopey and the act of collecting them is dopey. Just like the inmates of the booby hatch accusing each other of being nutty.—A friend of mine sends me an IRISH PRECANCEL. Its on the one penny old Queen Victoria purple, a common stamp, and reads something like this, Amios St. Depe Dublin then a short piece of heavy rule under Dublin. The legend reads up and the spelling of the street is undoubtedly wrong as it was blurred. He thought it would be a joke but it might be a real precancel.—Fryburg Maine on the 1½c Pres. in U-120 type; Greenwich Conn. 3c Defense U-17.

#### PRECANCELED POSTAGE STAMPS IN SHEETS AND COILS ISSUED DURING MAY 1941.

No new towns. All precancels on 1938 Presidential issue. All new narrow plates except coils, which are wide plates.

	Sheets	Coils
Birmingham, Ala.	1½c, 1c	1½c
San Francisco, Calif.	1½c	1½c
Wilmington, Del.	1c	1½c
Washington, D. C.	1c	1½c
Atlanta, Ga.	1½c	1c
Chicago, Ill.	1½c	1c
Springfield, Ill.	1c	1c
Indianapolis, Ind.	1½c, 1c	1c
Davenport, Iowa	1c	1c
Des Moines, Iowa	1c	1c
New Orleans, La.	1½c, 6c	1c
Baltimore, Md.	1½c, 6c, 7c	1c
Boston, Mass.	½c, 1, 1½c, 7, 8c	1c
Springfield, Mass.	1c	1c
Detroit, Mich.	1c	1c
Grand Rapids, Mich.	1c	1c
Saginaw, Mich.	1c	1c
Minneapolis, Minn.	½c	1c
Saint Paul, Minn.	1c, 7c	6c
Kansas City, Mo.	1½c	1c
Atlantic City, N. J.	1c	1c
Newark, N. J.	7c, 8c	1c
Brooklyn, N. Y.	1c, 1½c, 8c	1c
Buffalo, N. Y.	1½c	1c
Huntington, N. Y.	½c	1c
Long Island City, N. Y.	½c	1c
New York, N. Y.	1½c, 2½c	1c
Cleveland, Ohio	1c, 1½c	1c
Oklahoma City, Okla.	1c	1c
Harrisburg, Pa.	1c	1c
Philadelphia, Pa.	½c, 1c	1c
Pittsburgh, Pa.	½c, 1½c	1c

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	½c	—
Pawtucket, R. I.	1c	—
Marty, S. Dak.	½c	—
Beaumont, Texas	—	1c
Dallas, Texas	1, 1½c, 7, 8c	—
Montpelier, Vermont	—	6c
Milwaukee, Wis.	1½	—

—Rolston Lyon.

#### NEW POST OFFICES AUTHORIZED TO SELL PRECANCELED STAMPS DURING MAY 1941.

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#### Stamps In The News

Death of two former monarchs resulted recently in brief return of their names to front pages of the world's press. Wilhelm II is better known to philately for indirect results in stamp issues rather than from seeing his likeness repeated like that of his present day imitator. The ex-kaiser's only appearance on postage stamps was the 3 mark and 5 mark designs adopted in 1900 and which remained in current use until dissolution of the Empire and flight of the ruler whom other European houses termed an upstart. The 3 mark design shows the scene at the dedication of the huge equestrian statue of the first emperor, William I, at Berlin on April 3, 1897. In the foreground may be seen William II astride his charger, with other notables grouped around him. The 5 mark stamp depicts the closing scene at his speech delivered on January 19, 1896, on the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the German Empire. The Empire had been proclaimed on January 18, 1871 at Versailles (France) where William I had received notification of his designation as Emperor on that date. The words "EIN REICH, EIN VOLK, EIN GOT" (one country, one people, one God)" were the closing words of William II's address. His present day successor for whom William reportedly had only contempt, used these words in significantly altered form on the Austrian Plebiscite issue of 1938. The change was from "One God" to "One Leader."

William II was, as said, indirectly responsible due to his ambitions and forceful character for many stamp issues. It was he who was responsible for the selection of the Germania design familiar for many years. An enthusiastic patron of the theater, he appreciated so much the portrayal of the

symbolical figure by a young actress, that he directed she serve as model for the design for the pfennig stamps introduced in 1900. The design was unpopular and many newspaper criticisms of the day must have angered the Emperor, and it was surprising to foreigners that some of the stronger comments were tolerated.

The Kaiser's yacht "Hohenzollern" built in 1895 ostensibly as an addition to the navy (since the Reichstag refused to allow such a sum to be spent for a yacht) is the best known ship in the world to philately. It appeared on all issues of the colonies and these issues supplied many rarities when invading enemy forces overprinted them in the first weeks of occupation. The ship, like many another yacht, has had a checkered career. After the war it lay idle in the Thames in England for years, for it was such an ugly vessel that no private yachtsman was interested in it. Finally some Norwegian businessmen bought it for week-end trips, but the depression resulted in its final—and present appearance, in Florida as a commercial institution in the form of a houseboat for vacationer's amusement.

#### Truck Heads Toward Illinois

The Post Office Department has announced the itinerary of the Philatelic Truck for the month of July, all of which with exception of the last two days will be spent in a tour of Illinois. The towns and dates on which the Truck will be on display are: East St. Louis, July 1-2; Collinsville and Troy, July 3; Edwardsville, July 5; Staunton and Litchfield, July 7; Springfield, July 8-9; Decatur, July 10-11; Lincoln, July 12; Atlanta, July 14; Bloomington, July 15-16; Lexington and Pontiac, July 17; Dwight and Wilmington, July 18; Joliet, July 19 and 21; Chicago, July 22-23-24-25-26; Waukegan, July 28-29.

On July 30 the Truck will visit Kenosha, Wisc. and Racine, Wisc., staying over the 31st at the latter city. The hours of display vary, and inquiry should be made of local postmasters. Usual hours are 9 A.M. to 5 P.M., except when two points are on the schedule for the same day.

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